

it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The resolution applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of Wednesday, November 13, 2002, providing for consideration or disposition of a joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003.

## Joint Meetings

### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and the House-passed versions of H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1124)

H.R. 4013, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Rare Diseases at the National Institutes of Health. Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-280)

H.R. 4014, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the development of products for rare diseases. Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-281)

H.R. 5200, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for high quality development in Clark County, Nevada. Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-282)

H.R. 5308, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 South Howes Street in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the "Barney Apodaca Post Office". Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-283)

H.R. 5333, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4 East Central Street in Worcester, Massachusetts, as the "Joseph D. Early Post Office Building". Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-284)

H.R. 5336, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 380 Main Street in Farmingdale, New York, as the "Peter J. Ganci, Jr. Post Office Building". Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-285)

H.R. 5340, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5805 White Oak Avenue in Encino, California, as the "Francis Dayle 'Chick' Hearn Post Office". Signed on November 6, 2002. (Public Law 107-286)

H.R. 3253, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the emergency preparedness of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on November 7, 2002. (Public Law 107-287)

H.R. 4015, to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise and improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans. Signed on November 7, 2002. (Public Law 107-288)

H.R. 4685, to amend title 31, United States Code, to expand the types of Federal agencies that are required to prepare audited financial statements. Signed on November 7, 2002. (Public Law 107-289)

H.R. 5205, to amend the District of Columbia Retirement Protection Act of 1997 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to use estimated amounts in determining the service longevity component of the Federal benefit payment required to be paid under such Act to certain retirees of the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia. Signed on November 7, 2002. (Public Law 107-290)

H.R. 5574, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 206 South Main Street in Glennville, Georgia, as the "Michael Lee Woodcock Post Office". Signed on November 7, 2002. (Public Law 107-291)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations, oversight hearing on "Federal Debt Collection: Is the Government Making Progress?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

#### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee:* to hold hearings to examine the current economic outlook, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon Building.